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PENSION FRAUDS.

HIGH TIME TO CALL THE LONG BALT.

The House on the Treasury Department—How the Government's Treasury Has Been Grossly Abused.

From the Baltimore Sun's Washington Correspondent.

There are pending before Congress supplementary pension bills, which if passed will add many more millions to the already almost incredibly vast sums which have been taken from the treasury on this account. The opinion is becoming very strong in the minds of the more judicious members of Congress that it is high time to call a halt to this business. Heretofore those who would resist what they knew to be legislation not only pernicious to the morals of those to be affected directly by it, but unfair and unjust in the most extreme degree to the people at large, upon whom the burden was to be laid, have been overborne and overruled by the rank of demagogues and the fear that such action would be used to their own political detriment. It is to be hoped that no such considerations will in the future deter them from doing their duty to the country and to their constituents. No mercenary who ever flocked to the standard of robber king or chieftain in ancient or in modern times received gifts, rewards or plunder exceeding the right largesse which has been poured in a continual stream into the laps of men connected with the suppression of the rebellion, from the great captains down to the humblest subordinate, not excluding those who, by the broadest latitude of construction, could be brought into seeming relations with it. Yet the literature of the land is top heavy with song and story, with poem and oration, holding them all up as patriots tried and true, inspired only by the love of country. No soldiers were ever better clothed, better clothed, better paid than the soldiers of the Union during their entire term of service. A grateful country, after the war was over, in still further recognition of their services, provided pensions for them, by reason of their wounds, other incapacity acquired in the service, or unable to maintain themselves or their families, and for the families of those who had died from wounds or sickness.

Had it stopped here no voice could be raised against it, but step by step has the road been the open, until to-day the pension legislation upon the statute books of the United States offers a premium to fraud and perjury. There can be no doubt that untold millions have been and are being paid to men, or the representative of them, many of whom never smelt the smoke of battle; many of whom, in fact, performed no service, and many of whom were of that worst class of deserters—bounty jumpers.

THE GOVERNMENT'S GREAT DEBT.

It is interesting to note the unbounded generosity of the government to its soldiers. In the four years of the war the government spent for their clothing alone \$856,651,406. It paid \$150,990,792 for horses for the cavalry and artillery, and \$1,500,000,000 to pay its notes. It paid in bounties alone \$140,549,385, and it has paid to the different states \$50,000,000 more on account of moneys expended by them for troops, and it has paid for pensions the colossal sum of \$727,359,839. Last year the government expended the entire expenses of every character of the government for the year 1883. How the pension list has grown since the war is shown by the following, which, as well as the figures above given, is obtained from official sources. In 1866 the total expenditures for pensions was \$15,606,352. In 1868, three years after the close of the war it was only \$2,733,389. In these years recollections of events was fresh, identification was easy, and fraud and perjury were at a discount. But as the years rolled on, successive acts opening the doors indiscriminately were passed. Claim agents and lobby lawyers were introduced, and their friends vanished as chances of detection grew less, until as asserted by a gallant volunteer officer, for a long time a member of the committee on military affairs, it is more than probable that one third of the money now being paid on account of pensions within the last half dozen years has gone to persons who even under the loosely constructed laws have no title to it. In 1879, fourteen years after the war, the pension pay roll had increased to \$31,131,682. In 1880 it jumped up to \$56,777,174. In 1883 it was \$66,017,757. For the present year it was purposely lessened to \$45,429,238, but in the year 2000 it will go up again.

Of course the legislation now on the books must stand, but there should be no controversy as to the issue that the limit has been reached. They would be none if it was not for the opportunity which demagogues, time servers and tricky politicians are always on the alert to seize. Any man who has any doubts as to the truth of the above statement, let him extend the provisions of the pension laws, such as a man as Senator Sherman, of Ohio, has had the nerve to speak and to record his vote in opposition. It is to Republicans like him that the country must look to put up the bars against further raids on the treasury on this account. In striking the balance between the government and those who fought for it, one great item of credit on its side should also be taken into consideration. The blue book for 1883 shows that the present time shows almost countless names of soldiers of the war holding official position. There is not a custom house, nor postoffice in the big cities, nor an internal revenue office, nor a department of the government in this city where they are not borne on the rolls, and a very large proportion of them receiving pensions at the same time.

TREE PLANTING LAW.

Some of its Provisions so objectionable That it has Been Practically Disregarded by the Farmers of the State.

From the Germantown Telegraph.

When the law was passed by the Legislature paying owners of property for planting trees along the public highways, it did not receive our approval, and the grounds of our objection to it were fully realized. The law provides that one dollar is to be allowed for every four trees set out one year previous to demanding the road tax, which, on growing and being protected against damage, is to be deducted from the road tax, but in no case shall such deduction amount to more than one-fourth of any one's road tax. Eims are not to be set near together than seventy feet, maples or other forest trees less than fifty feet, except the locust, which may be set at thirty. Any trees that may die are to be replaced, but in case that any of these trees should be cut down by the owner the supervisor of the roads is to be paid fifty cents each by the owner of the trees. This, to make the best of it, is a shabby enactment. If a farmer has to buy the trees, protect them against his cattle and subject his land to a loss of crops from the shade and roots, we should like to know where the benefit is to come in, unless he desires to plant trees on his own account; and in such case he would not likely to wait for this poor legal bait. So far, however, no information has reached us that any one has availed himself of this

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I shrunk!

From 225 lbs to 120! I had been doctoring for my liver, but it did me no good. I did not expect to live more than three months. I began to use Hop Bitters. Directly my appetite returned, my pains left me, my entire system seemed renewed as if by magic, and after using several bottles, I am not only as sound as a sovereign, but weigh more than I did before. To Hop Bitters I owe my life.

Dublin, June 4 '87. H. FITZPATRICK.

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Seven bottles of your Bitters cured him and I know of the "Lives of eight persons."

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And many more are using them with great benefit.

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